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FOR AMBASSADOR NEWSOM FROM JOHN NORTON MOORE

USUN PASS AMBASSADOR STEVENSON

1. IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS OF ARCHIPELAGOS-
STRAITS NEGOTIATION -- AND OF OVERALL LOS CONFERENCE -- THAT
US AND INDONESIA REACH CLEAR UNDERSTANDING BEFORE GENEVA SES-
SION OF CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON MARCH 17. IN OUR
VIEW, BEST WAY TO FINALIZE UNDERSTANDING IS A FURTHER ROUND
OF DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON WITH INDONESIAN TEAM HEADED BY

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MARSHAL SOEDARMONO WITH FULL AUTHORIZATION TO REACH AGREE-

MENT.

2. IT IS UNLIKELY THAT EXCHANGE OF WRITTEN VIEWS ALONE COULD PERMIT REACHING AGREEMENT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS ON BEST WAY TO ENCOURAGE SOEDARMONO TO COME TO WASHINGTON FOR FINAL ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS AND TO ENCOURAGE APPROPRIATE GOI DECISIONS NECESSARY TO MAKE MEETING A SUCCESS.

3. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS ON HOW BEST TO OVERCOME APPARENT SPLIT WITHIN INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT, WITH SOEDARMONO SEEMING TO FAVOR AGREEMENT AND MOCHTAR SEEMING TO FIND ENDLESS SERIES OF OBSTACLES.

4. WITHOUT PREJUDGING EMBASSY REPLY, YOU MIGHT WISH TO CONVEY TO MARSHAL SOEDARMONO AT EARLY TIME THE IMPORTANCE OF FINALIZING UNDERSTANDING PRIOR TO GENEVA SESSION WHICH WE EXPECT WILL MOVE REPIDLY TO CONSIDER THESE ISSUES. YOU MIGHT ALSO REMIND SOEDARMONO OF THE ARRANGEMENT FOR A FURTHER ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON AND CONVEY TO HIM THAT WE HAVE SINCE JAKARTA TALKS DISCUSSED GENERAL OUTLINE OF PROPOSED UNDERSTANDING WITH PRINCIPAL MARITIME POWERS. THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE OF OBTAINING THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED PACKAGE SETTLEMENT, BUT A VITAL ELEMENT OF SUCH PACKAGE REMAINS INDONESIAN SUPPORT FOR UNIMPEDED TRANSIT OF STRAITS AND AN EARLY UNDERSTANDING. IT IS LIKELY THAT THESE NATIONS WILL OPPOSE INCLUSION OF ARCHIPELAGO WITHIN AN LOS PACKAGE IN ABSENCE OF CLEAR UNDERSTANDING WITH INDONESIA PRIOR TO GENEVA. IN OUR VIEW, WITH OPPOSITION OF MAJOR MARITIME POWERS, ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT WOULD HAVE NO CHANCE OF GENERAL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT.

5. FYI. WE FIND ENCOURAGING MOCHTAR APPARENT WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER UK TRANSIT PASSAGE PROPOSAL AS REGIME FOR STRAITS, AND HIS STATEMENT THAT WE ARE NOT FAR APART ON ARCHIPELAGO UNDERSTANDING EXCEPT AS TO BREADTH OF CORRIDORS. AS YOU KNOW, TRANSIT PASSAGE IS UK PROPOSAL WHICH WE SUGGESTED THAT INDONESIAN MIGHT SUPPORT TO MEET STRAITS SUPPORT PART OF AGREEMENT.

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